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Dear Sir: .

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of June 13, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.